

GOVERNMENT TOURIST BUSES

299. Sri M. MALLAPPA (Birur).—

Will the Minister for Labour be pleased to state :—

(a) the number of tourist buses now running on the nationalised routes in each district (Districtwise details, date of permit and the date of expiry of the permit may be given) ;

(b) whether there is any difficulty for M.S.R.T.C. to introduce Government Tourist buses to help the tourists as is done by private operators ?

Sri V. S. KOUJALGI (Minister of State for 'Youth Services') [On behalf of SRI AZEEZ SAIT (Minister for Labour)].—

(a) No pucca permits have been issued to tourist buses to ply on nationalised routes. Contract carriages are however plying on nationalised routes.

(b) Yes. Non-availability of chassis is one of the difficulties faced by the Corporation in catering to the needs of the tourists.

Sri M. MALLAPPA.—In answer to (a) you have stated "No pucca permits have been issued to tourist buses to ply on nationalised routes. Contract carriages are however plying on nationalised routes". May I know what exactly is the difference between the Contract Carriages and the tourist buses ?

Sri V. S. KOUJALGI.—Permits are issued to the Contract Carriages to ply on specified area for a specified period without setting down or picking up. Passengers enroute.

Sri M. MALLAPPA.—Are you not aware of the fact that these Contract Carriages are regularly carrying on tourists from place to place? For instance, a bus starts from Bangalore, it halts at Tumkur, Tiptur, Arsikere and Birur and on to Shimoga and leaves the places at fixed hours to carry passengers. Are the Government aware of this fact and whether they are not losing revenue ?

Sri V. S. KOUJALGI.—Government is aware and the Government is thinking of taking some action. The action proposed to be taken is under the active consideration of the Government.

Sri M. MALLAPPA.—Are you are not aware of the fact that these Contract Carriages are regularly carrying passengers and as a result of which Government is losing considerable revenue ?

Sri V. S. KOUJALGI.—What action to be taken to prevent such things is under the consideration of Government.

Sri M. S. KRISHNAN.—In answer to (b) you have stated "non-availability of chassis is one of the difficulties faced by the Corporation in catering to the needs of the tourists", ಕಂಪೌಟ್ ಕ್ಯಾಬಿನೆಟ್ ಹೊಂದಿಸಿ

ವವರು ಜಾಸ್ತಿ ಬಸ್ಸುಗಳನ್ನು ಇಟ್ಟಿರುವುದು ತಮಗೆ ಗೊತ್ತಿದೆ. ಅವರಿಗೆ ಧಾನಿಸ್ ಸಿಕ್ಕುತ್ತದೆ, ನಿಮಗೆ ಏತಕ್ಕೆ ಸಿಕ್ಕುವುದಿಲ್ಲ ?

Sri V. S. KOUJALGI.—The present situation is very tight because the Chassis manufacturers are only four in number *viz.* Benz, Leyland, Dodge and Bedford. We have to wait in queue and get the chassis from them.

ಶ್ರೀ ಬಿ. ಜಿ. ಬಣಕಾರ್.—ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರೇ, ಕಾಂಟ್ರಾಕ್ಟ್ ಕ್ಯಾರಿಯೇಜರ್‌ನವರು ಕಳಾನೀ ಪಾಳ್ಯಂನಲ್ಲಿರುವ ಗೌರ್ಮೆಂಟ್ ಬಸ್‌ಸ್ಟಾಂಡ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ಅವರ ಬಸ್ಸನ್ನು ನಿಲ್ಲಿಸಿ ಪ್ಯಾಸೆಂಜರ್ ತುಂಬಿಕೊಂಡು ಹೋಗುವುದರಿಂದ ಸರ್ಕಾರಕ್ಕೆ ರಾಸ್ ಆಗುತ್ತದೆ. ಇದನ್ನು ತಪ್ಪಿಸುವ ಯೋಜನೆಯಿಂದ ಕಾಂಟ್ರಾಕ್ಟ್ ಕ್ಯಾರಿಯೇಜರ್‌ಗೆ ಬ್ಯಾಟ್ ಕೊಡುವುದನ್ನು ನಿಲ್ಲಿಸುತ್ತೀರಾ ?

ಶ್ರೀ ವಿ. ಎಸ್. ಕೌಜಲ್ಗಿ.—ಅದನ್ನು ಕೂಡಲೇ ನಿಲ್ಲಿಸುವುದಕ್ಕಾಗುವುದಿಲ್ಲ.

Sri D. B. KALMANKAR.—The answer given to (a) is something different. May I know the number of tourist buses plying districtwise?

Sri V. S. KOUJALGI.—If you read the answer (a), I think it will be quite clear.

Sri D. B. KALMANKAR.—Even if pucca permits have been issued I want the number of tourist buses actually running, because the information sought is regarding the tourist buses actually running. I want the districtwise information.

Sri V. S. KOUJALGI.—I have already stated that these permits have been issued only for a temporary period and time—for a day or two. It is very difficult to get the exact number of tourist buses plying in the districts.

Sri B. B. SAYANAK.—Belgaum—Bangalore Road is a nationalised route. On this road four buses are plying during nights and they are carrying atleast 2000 passengers. But there is no night bus service of the Government. When the private operators are making huge profits, why the Government is not thinking of starting a night service and why you have allowed four private buses to ply during nights?

ಶ್ರೀ ವಿ. ಎಸ್. ಕೌಜಲ್ಗಿ.—ಮಾನ್ಯ ಸದಸ್ಯರಿಗೆ ಈಗಾಗಲೇ ಅದರ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಉತ್ತರ ಕೊಟ್ಟಿದ್ದೇನೆ.

Smt. DAMAYANTHI BOREGOWDA.—May I know the number of tourist buses that ply between Mysore and Bangalore?

Sri V. S. KOUJALGI.—I want notice.

Pending Acquisition Cases in Arsikere Taluk

312. **Sri H. S. SIDDAPPA (Arsikere).**—

Will the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state:—

(a) the number of land acquisition records pending pertaining to Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in Arsikere Taluk for purposes of constructing houses;

(b) since when they are pending?